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1. Attached are two papers that have been worked on extensively by the Bundy group, which has now acquired the exalted status of an ad hoc group under the NSC. One is a contingency paper on U. S. action should President Thieu be assassinated, the other a contingency paper of possible U. S. actions should the enemy mount significant attacks on major cities. Both of these have been worked over very carefully by the Bundy group and the attached version is the latest one extant. (It contains in para three a recommendation for the utilization of naval forces, particularly the New Jersey, that I floated at the Bundy meeting on Friday, 14 February.) These papers are scheduled to go to the NSC review group in the very near future.

2. Also attached is a draft NSSM on these contingency plans. We were advised on 14 February that this draft had been approved by the President on 13 February. I understand it has now been issued but have not seen it in official form.

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Attachments

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